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SUBJ: WS 117L - RECONNAISSANCE CAPSULE

/UNCLASS/ LMSD/37545 --- PRESENT STATUS OF TECHNICAL AND

CONTRACTUAL APPROVAL OF REENTRY CAPSULE IS AS FOLLOWS -

1. G E HAS BEEN SELECTED AS BEST SOURCE FOR DEVELOPMENT OF REENTRY CAPSULE.

2. FAIRCHILD HAS BEEN SELECTED AS BEST SOURCE FOR CAMERA UNIT.

3. TECHNICAL APPROACH AND CONTRACTUAL DOCUMENTS COVERING G.E. AND FAIRCHILD WORK STATEMENT WERE TRANSMITTED TO ASST A/F PLANT REP ABOUT 7 FEB, WHO IN TURN FORWARDED ABOVE INFORMATION TO BMD FOR TECHNICAL APPROVAL.

PROGRAM SCHEDULE REQUIREMENTS NECESSITATE IMMEDIATE CONTRACTUAL ACTION FOR SUPPLIERS. IT IS BROUGHT TO YOUR ATTN THAT PROGRESS IS ALREADY DELAYED BY ONE WEEK, AND IT IS URGENTLY REQUESTED THAT BMD FURNISH LMSD VIA CONTRACTING OFFICER THE NECESSARY APPROVAL OR ACTION REQUEST.